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Name

Midterm II

## 30 Multiple Choice Questions



- 1. The ideal resident of BedZED is
  - A. one that lives with a one-earth carbon footprint
  - B. one who wears sweaters in the winter
  - C. one who produces no solid waste
  - D. none of the above
- 2. BedZED is an exemplary high performance development because it features
  - A. a living machine
  - B. a combined heat and power system
  - C. robust passive design for heating and cooling
  - D. all of the above
- 3. Rogers' Chiswick Park has large overhang shading devices at roof level that
  - A. block direct solar radiation
  - B. provide reflected daylight
  - C. avoid trapping hot air beneath them
  - D. all of the above
- 4. The central pedestrian-friendly zone at Chiswick Park is important because
  - A. it collects rain water run-off
  - B. it is programmed for community events
  - C. it provides vital green space
  - D. all of the above

- 5. Built in phases, Chiswick Park's buildings
  - A. show improved shading strategies over time
  - B. are all identical
  - C. show improved heating strategies over time
  - D. none of the above
- 6. BedZED used thermal zoning during the design phase to
  - A. increase the density of occupation of the site
  - B. to provide direct south exposure to all residential units
  - C. to protect high internal load uses from solar gain
  - D. all of the above
- 7. The Wells Fargo (nee Farm Credit) Bank in Spokane is a successful example of thermal zoning to
  - A. provide daylight to all office areas
  - B. use unconditioned cores to buffer east and west sun
  - C. reduce first and operating costs for the building
  - D. all of the above
- 8. The balance point temperature occurs when the outdoor temperature
  - A. is in the comfort zone
  - B. causes heat losses to equal heat gains
  - C. is below the comfort zone
  - D. is equal to the thermostat setting
- 9. Among the first to experiment with double skin façades
  - A. was Le Corbusier
  - B. were the Scandinavians
  - C. was Arup's façade group
  - D. none of the above
- 10. A successful double façade can
  - A. contain operable shading
  - B. expanded steel mesh maintenance walkways
  - C. be open to the exterior
  - D. all of the above
- 11. Double façades are
  - A. most prevalent in multistory buildings
  - B. solely composed of glazing units
  - C. only effective on south façades
  - D. all of the above



- 12. The HEED model of the Brillhart House in Miami showed that
  - A. its N-S elongation is not as effective as rotating it to an E-W elongation would be
  - B. passive operation (no heat or air-conditioning) leads to severe overheating
  - C. natural ventilation air speeds are too high
  - D. none of the above

- 13. When the HEED model for the Brillhart House in Miami compared passive performance to a/c
  - A. indoor air temperatures for passive were much higher
  - B. air-conditioning was active when indoor air temperature was in the comfort zone
  - C. natural ventilation will not be effective at any time
  - D. all of the above

14. Michael Reynolds' earthships at the Greater World Earthship Community near Taos, NM,

- A. are made entirely of recycled materials and earth
- B. use wind and sun to generate electricity
- C. treat and reuse toilet water on site
- D. all of the above

15. By using passive and low-energy techniques in design of the conservatory at Rio Grande Botanic Garden, Ed Mazria was able to

- A. achieve excellent growing conditions for both Mediterranean and Sonoran Desert plants
- B. decrease costs to expand the building program
- C. provide tolerable human comfort
- D. all of the above

16. Village Homes is analogous to Richard Rogers' Chiswick Park development in that

- A. it features shared community space
- B. it separates vehicular and pedestrian traffic
- C. it provides on-site storm water retention/treatment
- D. all of the above

17. Rafael Viñoy's Pittsburgh Convention Center saves a considerable amount of energy and money

- A. through daylighting strategies
- B. via passive ventilation
- C. from passive solar heating
- D. all of the above except C

18. When designing a courtyard to cool its surrounding building, the most effective thing to do is

- A. use toldos to control the sun
- B. add a large shade tree to its center
- C. make sure it "sees" as much of the night sky as possible
- D. all of the above
- 19. The most cost-effective way to meet design and energy challenges is
  - A. to design elegant little big windows
  - B. to use curtain walls for maximum daylighting and solar gain
  - C. to use punched windows with horizontal shading devices on all façades
  - D. to use a double wall façade with BMS controlled shading

I told you to listen to the climate science!

- A. for diffuse top-lighting
- B. that allow sunlight to "come in through the cracks"
- C. to "give the comforting feeling of knowing the time of day"
- D. all of the above
- 21. The most advantageous feature of active solar buildings vs. passive solar buildings is
  - A. the use of remote collectors
  - B. greatly increased efficiency
  - C. the ability to control timing of energy use
  - D. all of the above
- 22. An evacuated tube collector's advantage over a flat plate collector is
  - A. greater efficiency in all climates
  - B. lower operating and maintenance expense
  - C. the use of phase change materials in the collector to store heat
  - D. all of the above
- 23. Henry Mayhew's active system in Coos Bay, OR,
  - A. uses a reflective roof to increase efficiency
  - B. uses water-based collectors with a water storage tank
  - C. delivers conditioned air to the house via convection
  - D. all of the above
- 24. The Bevans house in nearby Genesee is an effective hybrid active system that
  - A. uses rock bed heat storage to deliver conditioned air to the house
  - B. uses rock bed heat storage to deliver preheated air to the furnace
  - C. uses rock bed heat storage to store heat seasonally
  - D. all of the above
- 25. Large scale active systems have been designed to
  - A. heat buildings
  - B. cool buildings
  - C. heat municipal swimming pools
  - D. all of the above
- 26. Helmut Jahn's State of Illinois Building in Chica-
- go is notable as a successful
  - A. passively heated building
  - B. actively heated building
  - C. ice-chilled building
  - D. none of the above
- 27. Building integrated PVs can act as
  - A. windows
  - B. shading devices
  - C. roofs
  - D. all of the above



"We've been standing here talking about how to pitch to the batter for way too long, haven't we?"

- 28. PV system payback time has been significantly shortened
  - A. by reduced first costs
  - B. increased efficiency
  - C. in areas where net metering is allowed
  - D. all of the above
- 29. Mixed-mode HVAC systems
  - A. are only appropriate for mixed-use buildings
  - B. use both natural and forced ventilation
  - C. must use displacement ventilation
  - D. all of the above
- 30. In large buildings HVAC system efficiency can be increased by
  - A. using economizer cooling
  - B. using energy wheels
  - C. both of the above
  - D. none of the above

